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Prior to preparing the instant application, a patentability search was conducted through the records of the U.S. Patent Office. The search uncovered the several document listed below.

**U.S. Patents**

3,680,749	Davis
4,267,562	Raimondi
5,452,640	Bovee et al
5,554,815	Authie et al
5,564,649	von Hoessle et al
5,855,339	Mead et al
5,942,713	Basak
6,069,692	Stoffberg
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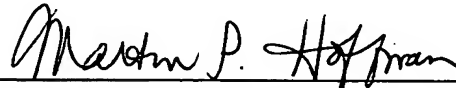
**U.S. Patent Application Publications**

2002/0170419	Borgwarth et al
2003/0089220	Boudreau et al

The several documents listed above are listed, once again, on the attached PTO Form 1449.

The patents to Boree et al and Basak are discussed at pages 2 and 3 of the instant patent application, under the heading "Background of the Invention." The claims of record were drawn to emphasize patentable subject matter neither disclosed, nor suggested, in the several patents cited above.

Respectfully submitted,

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